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Dear Shacklewell Families,

re: the month of Ramadan

The holy month of Ramadan has begun and we know that this is an extremely important time for our Muslim families. For families observing Ramadan, we hope that you enjoy this period of peace and reflection.

As a school, we support Year 5 and Year 6 children to fast and aim to provide a supportive and safe environment for them to do so. We understand that some children may fast one day and not another. With support from the school staff, the child may make this decision on a day-by-day, hour-to-hour basis.

Any parent of a child wishing to fast must notify the school- children are not able to tell members of staff that they are fasting, without notification from an adult at home. If children in the younger years notify us that they are fasting we will contact you to have a discussion about this.

For participating children we will ensure that staff are aware so that we can plan breaks for children if necessary, for example during their PE lesson.

For the period of Ramadan we will also set up a prayer space in a quiet part of the school for older children to pray during the lunch break, if they would like to.

In the meantime, if you have any questions at all, please contact the school office.

Kind regards,

Rory McGrath
Headteacher